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Editorial

Shakerite Urges Voters to Lower Voting Age, Permit Young Adults to Express Their Views

Unquestionably the large majority of young adults have a serious need to express their views in a manner that is both peaceful and within the political system. *The Shakerite* therefore supports State Issue No. 1 which would change Ohio's eligible voting age from 21 to 19.

BECAUSE YOUNG people today are far better educated than were youth generations ago, they are certainly better able to exercise their suffrage. Furthermore, since these young adults are either still in school or just recently graduated, they are

likely to have a fresher understanding of the workings of the government and the ability to apply that understanding to discretion in their voting.

A recent Gallup poll disclosed that the number of 19 and 20-year-olds who ally themselves with a political party are divided equally between the Democrats and Republicans. The new voters would therefore not greatly alter Ohio's established voting patterns.

NINETEEN-YEAR-OLDS have many legal responsibilities, most of which come from eligibility to

the draft. Over 50% of Ohio's 1,783 men killed in Vietnam were not even eligible to vote. The fact that the elder lawmakers send their country's youth to fight a war about which the young have no say cannot be justified. *The Shakerite* finds it inconsistent that the government is giving young men rifles to kill but not rights to vote.

In Ohio the government, however, has approved of 19-year-old suffrage. The Ohio Congress is now putting the question to the people. The voters hold the final answer and tomorrow must decide whether 300,000 young adults will be permitted to vote. *The Shakerite* sees "YES" as the only reasonable answer to State Issue No. 1.



The Interlochen Orchestra will perform here November 15.

Interlochen Symphony Plans Concert at Severance Hall

The Interlochen Arts Academy's symphony orchestra will perform in concert at Severance Hall Saturday, November 15, under the direction of Nicholas Harsanyi, a member of the school's faculty.

INTERLOCHEN IS located in northern Michigan, and is well known for its summer National Music Camp. Students at the Academy, an outgrowth of the summer session, receive a coordinated program of scholastic courses and special offerings in the fine arts.

Their talented orchestra will participate in a series of performances throughout the Midwest, climaxed by a special

Students Approve Voting Amendment

The Shaker student body recently passed an amendment to the Student Council constitution by a majority of nearly 90%. Instead of passing all future movements on the basis of two-thirds of student council or of the student body, only two-thirds of the students voting will determine the outcome. Because of this, absent students will not bring down the number of votes for an amendment.

AT PRESENT, a movement is on the floor to eliminate grade averages as determinants for student council representatives.

More Activities to Protest U.S. Vietnam Policy Planned

by Marty Levenson

To follow up October 15 Moratorium-Day activities, the New Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam is sponsoring a march on Washington, D.C., November 15.

"MARCHING against death" November 13, delegations from every state, representing American war dead and destroyed Vietnam villages, will walk in a 36-hour single-file procession from Arlington National Cemetery to the Capitol. Another march in Washington, with a subsequent four-hour rally and folk-rock concert, will follow on November 15.

Although not sponsoring the marches, the Vietnam Moratorium Committee does encourage participation in the Washington effort. "Moratorium activities will occur locally November 13-14 for those who cannot participate in the D.C. march and probably will emphasize more traditional political pressures on the administration than applied by the march," writes a national

moratorium organizer.

LEADERS of the Vietnam Moratorium Committee and New Mobilization Committee say that their peace offensive will not attack Mr. Nixon personally. Says Sam Brown, a former divinity student and an ex-McCarthy organizer, "People have discovered the futility of personalizing the war. You beat one guy and the war goes on. The important thing is to change American policy."

Shaker Student Leaders Plan and Sponsor Lake Erie League Governmental Workshop

Officers and selected representatives from the Student Councils of the ten Lake Erie League high schools met last Thursday in the Social Room for the annual LEL Student Council Workshop.

DR. WILLIAM GREENHAM and President Bill Ginn welcomed the students to the school workshop. The theme for the workshop was "The New Role For Student Council." Joseph Szwaja, head of the high school



Wanted: Woody Allen, for the Funniest Movie of 1969.

Woody Allen's 'Take the Money' Documents Inept Thief's Crimes

by Peter Borowitz and Jim Holdstein

Woody Allen's new crime satire, "Take the Money and Run," poses that age-old question, "Should you wear beige to a robbery?" Allen answers that question through his comic characterization of Virgil Starkwell, an inept bank robber who, though battered by a hostile society, is still so sensitive that he can claim, "Real beauty make me want to dribble."

"Take the Money and Run," then, is the story in documentary form of Virgil's struggle to rise in the world of crime. He starts small, robbing gum machines, stealing old ladies' purses, and dialing obscene phone calls collect. Finally, he does hold up the Fidelity Trust Bank but only after he has survived several previous prison terms and the ultimate torture: confinement for several days in a sweat box with an insurance salesman.

Woody Allen, through the use of a documentary format which links seemingly unrelated absurdities (such as Virgil's response to his wife's Christmas news of a coming baby, "All I wanted was a tie") has created the funniest movie of the year. He is without doubt the zaniest comic today, for who else when a sadistic prison warden yells, "Any questions," would ask, "Do you think a girl should pet on her first date?" Although Virgil never makes the ten-most-wanted list, this movie certainly does. So, take your money and run to the World East Theater to see a very funny Woody Allen. He's fantastic!

The Playhouse, as suggested to the students at the seminar, is an inexpensive date, but at least until the next production rolls around it would be worth the extra dollar to see "Take the Money and Run" instead.



Robert Allman as Pizarro reflects on his conquest.

Council Approves Committee's Plan

At its last meeting Student Council approved the Cheerleader Investigation Committee's revised method of selecting cheerleaders. With the approval of the new selection process, the committee has now achieved both of its goals, finding a solution to this year's cheerleading problem and discovering a fairer way of selecting cheerleaders.

THE COMMITTEE proposed that the cheerleaders' sponsor, the head of the gym department, the cheerleaders' captain, and four qualified people, chosen by the gym department head, who live outside of and are not involved with the Shaker Heights school system select new cheerleaders. The sponsor, two qualified teachers, and the cheerleading squad presently choose new cheerleaders.

The committee is currently preparing a report on its decisions and will release it in November.

Fleming, Aggressive Defense Lead Raider Surge to Second Place Tie

The Shaker High Red Raiders, paced by the slashing running of Reggie Fleming and devastating defensive play, moved into a tie for second place in the Lake Erie League after registering convincing victories over Garfield,

Netmen Clinch Fourth in LEL

Shaker's tennis team closed out its dual meet schedule with matches against Valley Forge, Heights, and Lakewood. The Raiders whipped Lakewood, but met defeat at the hands of Forge and Heights.

ON OCTOBER 7 the netters lost to Forge, 3-2. Second singles man Harley Goldstein and the second doubles team of Scott Herlands and Mike Butler each won for Shaker. Two days later the Raiders entertained Heights, but lost, 4-1. The first doubles team of Gary Gross and Craig Brown was the lone winner.

Following these losses, Shaker came back to defeat Lakewood 3-2. First single man Rob Feiss won 6-3, 6-4. Both doubles teams were also victorious.

THE NETMEN ended the LEL season in fourth place behind Heights, Euclid, and Brush with a 5-4 record. In the LEL meet Ted Schlitz took second place in the second singles competition.

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Normandy, and Valley Forge.

IN THE THREE victories Fleming, a senior halfback, scored eight touchdowns and ran for over four hundred yards while the Raider defense held their opponents to only four touchdowns.

In the Raiders' homecoming victory over Garfield, 28-12, Fleming scored three times and Tom Mosley tallied once. Mosley's touchdown came on a pass from Steve Sanna. Larry Brantley, who blocked a punt and played an overall aggressive game, stood out defensively for Shaker.

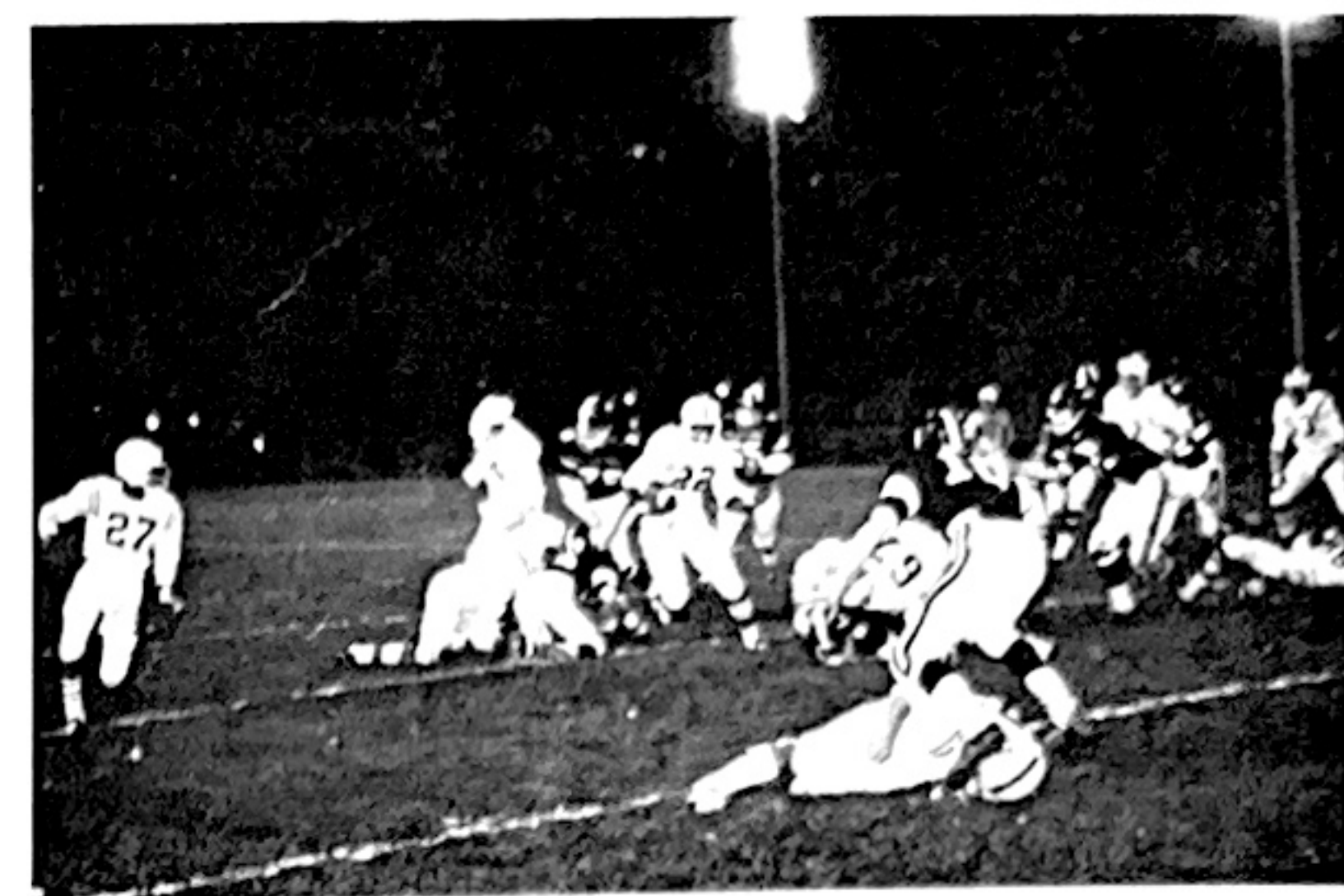
SHAKER THEN ruined Normandy's homecoming by overwhelming the Invaders, 26-8. Fleming, who tallied twice, and Contrell Brantley and Mosley, who each scored once, led the Raiders' conquest of Normandy.

Shaker, though, saved the best

for last by upsetting the Valley Forge Patriots' championship and homecoming plans, 32-8. The Raiders put together five beautiful touchdown drives, one of 98 yards, to demoralize Forge totally. Fleming, who tallied three times and ran for almost two hundred yards, and Sanna and Mosley, who each scored one touchdown, directed the Raiders, now 6-2, to the victory.

Ricers Win District, Regional; Kramers Smash Two Records

The Shaker Cross Country team won its first LEL championship in convincing style as the Raiders annihilated Shaw and Garfield. En route to the State Cross Country Championships, the Ricers swept to the district and regional titles and



Reg Fleming eludes Forge defenders to score for Shaker.

qualified seven men for the State Meet.

THE HARRIERS captured the LEL crown as the team shut out Garfield, 15-0, and Shaw, 15-0. Six men from Shaker finished before any man from the other two teams. Winning for Shaker were Jeff Kramer, Jim Kramer, Keith Brown, John Hopwood, Mark Balough, and Karl Weinfurter.

At the Section II Highland Districts, Shaker won the crown as the Kramer brothers matched strides across the finish line in

an unheard-of first place tie. In addition, they set a new district course record bettering the old mark by five seconds. Pacing the winning Raiders were Brown placing third, Hopwood taking 12th, and Karl Weinfurter finishing 20th.

SHAKER ALSO ran away with the Highland regional as Jeff Kramer finished first, Jim Kramer, third; Brown, fourth; Hopwood, 18th; and Balough, 42nd. Jeff shattered the course record of 9:57.8 by running a 9:52.7.

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